

Intro: Imagine a jigsaw puzzle in which the pieces can fit together in various ways to form various images. Also imagine that each piece may be rotated, or even flipped over, and still fit in to form a picture. That is the theological jigsaw puzzle we find in Revelation 11:1-14.

Today we apply the six journalistic questions to the puzzle.

I. Who?

- a. The two witnesses sure sound like Moses and Elijah
- b. And they're definitely Zerubbabel and Joshua, too

II. What?

- a. They witness to the world and destroy their enemies
- b. They finish their testimony and are destroyed*
**except they're not destroyed*

III. When?

- a. Before the seventh trumpet sounds
- b. During the Church age, before Jesus returns

IV. Where?

- a. Definitely figuratively Sodom and Egypt, i.e. Jerusalem
- b. Wherever large numbers gather, *megapolis*: great city

V. Why?

- a. To fulfill prophecy
- b. To usher in the end of the age

VI. How?

- a. By wearing sackcloth and proclaiming God's Word
- b. Not by might nor by power, but by the Spirit of God

VII. Who really, then?

- a. "I will appoint my two witnesses" (cf. Acts 1:7-8)
- b. "The breath of...God entered them" (cf. Ezek. 3:24)

Close: Even Zechariah didn't understand (his own!) prophecy (Zech. 4:5, 13). But he knew the LORD, and that the LORD *is* sovereign.